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FOR AMBASSADOR GATES FROM THE SECRETARY

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SUBJECT: PRC EARTHQUAKE

REF: PEKING 1415

1. I APPRECIATE YOUR PROMPT REPORTING ON PRC EARTHQUAKE
AND AM GRATIFIED THAT ALL AMERICANS ARE SAFE.

2. GIVEN THE APPARENT MAGNITUDE OF THE DISASTER, WE ARE
URGENTLY CONSIDERING WAYS IN WHICH WE COULD BE HELPFUL AND
WOULD WELCOME YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS.

3. IN THE MEANTIME, YOU SHOULD PROMPTLY APPROACH THE PRC
FOREIGN MINISTRY AT AN APPROPRIATE LEVEL TO CONVEY THE
FOLLOWING MESSAGE:

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'I HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED BY MY GOVERNMENT TO CONVEY TO YOU

THE GREAT CONCERN WITH WHICH WE HAVE RECEIVED THE REPORTS
OF THE MAJOR EARTHQUAKE THAT HAS JUST OCCURRED IN YOUR
COUNTRY. (OPTIONAL: WE APPRECIATE THE ASSISTANCE PROVIDED
BY THE CHINESE AUTHORITIES TO AMERICANS LOCATED IN THE
AFFECTED AREAS OF CHINA.) MY GOVERNMENT HAS ASKED ME TO

INFORM YOU THAT WE ARE PREPARED TO BE HELPFUL IN WHATEVER
WAY YOU THINK WOULD BE USEFUL. THIS ASSISTANCE CAN BE
PROVIDED THROUGH WHATEVER CHANNELS YOU CONSIDER APPROPRIATE.

4. I INTEND TO HAVE HUMMEL MAKE A SIMILAR STATEMENT TO HAN
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